# Sex Case Doctor and Lawyer Row

Dr. James Middleton, the Des Plaines physician accused of sexually assaulting two of his female patients, almost lost his lawyer yesterday.

Middleton's attorney, Edward Genson, asked Criminal Court Judge Robert J. Downing to be allowed to withdraw from the case citing "differences of opinion" with Middleton. Judge Downing declined to rule on the request and continued it until Monday saying that by then Middleton and Genson may have argued out their differences.

On Tuesday Middleton took exception to a statement by Genson that he might enter an insanity plea for Middleton. Later, Middleton said publicly he would fire Genson if this happened.

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